

22 June 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 22 June 1966

The DCI noted that he had tentatively agreed to appear on "Meet the Press" on 17 July. (See Action Item 1)

R. J. Smith noted that briefing books are being prepared for the NSC meeting tomorrow on Southwest Africa. He reported that ORR had been doing a study on the possible effects of economic sanctions, and this will be distributed to the Principals prior to the NSC meeting.

Godfrey noted the relative quiet in Saigon. He noted that the Agency was not receiving State cables on the question of U.S. prisoners in North Vietnam. (See Action Item 3)

Bannerman reported that the Agency had supplied another secretary per the request of the White House. He also noted that

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The DCI complimented deSilva on his first year report of his staff's activity.

Houston reported that efforts are underway to set up meetings with various Congressmen early this afternoon.

Bross noted that budget reviews are currently underway in DOD.

Duckett reported that the [redacted] has not as yet been recovered, but that security measures have been taken. He also noted that the CORONA launch [redacted] was successful. 25X1

The DDCI reported that he had a conversation with Ambassador Beale from Jamaica yesterday in which the latter had highlighted the deteriorating state of the economy in Jamaica. (See Action Item 4) He also noted an AP story on the current dispute in the Senate regarding supervision of CIA. He requested that all hands note that this is clearly a Senate fight over how they supervise the Agency; it is not a fight about the Agency itself.

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The DCI noted the story in the New York Times today which apparently was not accurate as to his reply to Senator Fulbright's question concerning Fulbright Scholars. (See Action Item 5)

ACTIONS

1. The DCI requested that a task force be formed which would review the matter of what questions the DCI might be asked on "Meet the Press", and prepare appropriate responses. (The DDCI requested that this group be chaired by E. H. Knoche to include Commander Moran, Col. Grogan, and others as deemed appropriate.)

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3. The DCI requested that Ben Read be contacted on the matter of State traffic on U.S. prisoners in North Vietnam. (DDI in the course of the day)

4. DDCI requested that [redacted] of OCI contact Ambassador Beale to review the internal situation in Jamaica. (OCI in the course of the day.)

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5. The DCI requested that the testimony be reviewed as to his answer to Senator Fulbright re the Fulbright Scholars, and suggested that if the answer is negative, the New York Times be so informed. (OGC in the course of the day)

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